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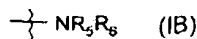
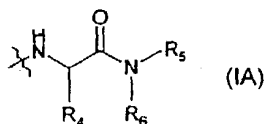
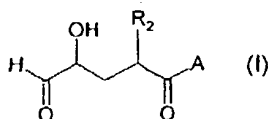
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(57) Abstract: Selected compounds of formula (I) are antibacterial agents: formula (I) wherein R_2 represents a substituted or unsubstituted $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl, cycloalkyl ($\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl)- or aryl ($\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl)- group, and A represents a group of formula (IA), or (IB) wherein R_4 represents the side chain of a natural or non-natural alpha amino acid, and R_5 and R_6 are each independently hydrogen or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl, heterocyclic or aryl ($\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl)-, R_5 and R_6 when taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached from an optionally substituted saturated heterocyclic ring of 3 to 8 atoms which ring is optionally fused to a carbocyclic or second heterocyclic ring.

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